

Worth Selling
Is Worth Telling
ADVERTISE!

THE CELINA DEMOCRAT

Volume 22, Number 2

Carlin & Carlin, Publishers

Celina, Ohio, April 20, 1917

ONE PAPER

In the HOME is worth a dozen in the byway, and just remember THE DEMOCRAT is the home paper of Mercer County.

BIG ORDER LANDED

Edmund Brandts last Saturday secured from a well known Dayton concern an order for music cabinets which will total \$100,000.

This is undoubtedly the largest single order ever taken by a manufacturing concern in this city. In account of the management of the Celina Specialty Company will have to make arrangements either to double its working force or put in a night shift, since the orders of the company have now booked, exceed \$200,000.

This last order has been secured from a well known business concern at Dayton who has been struck by the excellent workmanship and beautiful finish of cabinets turned out by the local manufacturers.

WITH CITY FATHERS

Owing to the absence of Councilmen Dorsch and Beiersdorfer at the adjourned meeting of Council last Tuesday night several matters of importance could not be disposed of, among them the ordinance to provide for issuance of bonds in the sum of \$10,000 to motorize the local fire department and install an up-to-date fire alarm system.

A resolution authorizing condemnation proceedings on the lots in consideration for the South Side park improvement was unanimously passed, and Clerk Winters was authorized to serve notice of condemnation, proceedings upon the owners.

T. J. Blake, C. P. Schunck and Philip Beiersdorfer, the assessing committee on the East Side Storm Sewer, reported their findings. The report was accepted and the assessments ordered placed on file for examination of those interested.

COURT MATTERS

Judge Miller on Wednesday granted a divorce to Eliza Shaw from her husband Benjamin Shaw, on the grounds of habitual drunkenness. Plaintiff restored to her maiden name of Eliza Cottrell.

The case of the State of Ohio vs. Verlin Duxon, indicted for obtaining money under false pretense, came to a very abrupt close last Monday afternoon, when after the state's witnesses had been examined Prosecutor Stubbs filed a motion asking the court to instruct the jury to return a verdict against him and in favor of the plaintiff of not guilty. Judge Miller sustained the motion. Verdict directed and returned accordingly.

The case of the State of Ohio vs. William Pratt, assigned for trial yesterday was vacated because of the continuance of the Arnett case, and will be re-argued later.

The case of the State against John Riser for burglary, will be heard today and that of Ed Bone, charged with bootlegging, will be heard tomorrow.

The following jury cases have been assigned for next week: Monday—Economy Hog & Cattle Powder Co. vs. A. J. Baumgartner et al.

Tuesday—State of Ohio vs. Joseph Snyder.

Wednesday—William Marker vs. Hiram Green.

Thursday—State of Ohio ex rel Mollie Fritinger vs. Leo Schaeffer.

Monday, May 7—M. J. Hemmert, plaintiff in error vs. State of Ohio, defendant in error.

Senator J. D. Johnson received a message last Saturday apprising him of the death of his sister's husband, Ed. L. Swiehart, who died Friday morning at his home at Findlay.

Mr. Swiehart had been in usual health until several days ago when he sustained a paralytic stroke.

Deceased was a former resident of this county and is well known in Celina and vicinity. Surviving are the wife and three daughters, one daughter, Mrs. Walter Mariner, a resident of Dublin township.

Senator Johnson and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mariner and Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Flegley, of near Rockford, attended the funeral services held at Findlay Sunday afternoon.

There will be a meeting of the Early Local 207 Equity Union at the Haar school house, Friday evening, April 20, 7:30 o'clock.

Every member is urged to be present at this meeting as the matter of incorporating will be taken up at this time.

Mr. Tom Line, of Ft. Wayne, will be the speaker at this meeting.

Gail Freeman, of Ohio City, an employee at the furniture factory, is laid up with a disabled right hand, as the result of running a large splinter of wood into the first and second fingers of the hand, while at work last Friday morning.

By a card received at this office a few days ago, the arrival of a baby daughter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Ahern, of Cabel, O., was announced. Mrs. Ahern was a former Celina girl, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Studer.

Mrs. W. T. Hunter, for many years a resident on North Main street, of Rockford, died of Bright's disease on Monday, April 2, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Byers, and family, in Los Angeles, Calif.

Mrs. Hunter had been in failing health for several years, yet her death came as a shock to her family.—Rockford Press.

Big Pete says he sold 687 pairs of shoes, socks, gloves and overalls last Saturday.

GOOD FOR SORE EYES

The Meraman Bros. & Brands Co., the widely known table-makers of this city, and one of the biggest manufacturing concerns of this line of goods in the state, are flying Old Glory from the top of the big water tank at their buildings, making it very conspicuous.

ISSUE CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Washington, D. C., April 18 Celina Democrat, Celina, O.

Print conspicuously it is proposed to raise an army of a million men. Do you favor raising this army by conscription or calling for volunteers. Please reply immediately by letter or conscription or calling for volunteers? Please reply immediately by letter or telegram.

B. F. WELTY.

Our Reply

Celina Democrat, April 18. Hon. B. F. Welty, M. C., Washington, D. C.

Oppose conscription. Volunteers first, last and all the time.

THE CELINA DEMOCRAT.

Conscription is unnecessary in a war approved by the people. To resort to force in obtaining recruits is to create doubt as to whether the people wished war to be declared. Congressmen and Senators who vote for conscription thereby confess their own doubt. When in addition to voting conscription of men, they refuse to vote for conscription of wealth they lay themselves open to even worse imputations.

Judge James H. Day, Mercer county's pioneer jurist and Civil War Veteran, lies at the point of death at his home on West Fulton street, with no hopes of recovery.

COUNTY GRANGE AFFAIRS

The Neptune Grange met in regular session at the township hall on Friday night, April 13. After a short business session, the Master declared open Grange for the lecture hour, and a box social was enjoyed by all. 12 boxes were sold and a little over \$12 was taken in. Arlon Copeland was the auctioneer and he certainly understands his business. Vocal music was furnished, during the supper by some of the young folks.

Great credit is due the committee, Ernest Kelley, Vermont Young and Miss Hedrick, for their efforts to make the evening a success. On next Friday evening a class of 12 will be given the first and second degree. All Grangers interested in ordering supplies through the Grange should be present at the meeting, as these matters are now under discussion.

On Saturday evening, April 21, Mr. S. E. Walker of Dayton will give a lecture at the township hall in Neptune. The subject will be "Can Monarchy and Democracy Exist on a Large Scale and the World be at Peace."

The lecture is of a patriotic nature and should meet with hearty support. Admission free.

Unity Grange, 2116, of Murphysburg, will on Tuesday evening, April 24, confer the third and fourth degrees on all eligible candidates. Luncheon will be served following degree work. All patrons cordially invited.

W. H. SWARTZ, Master.

EAGLES TO HAVE BIG TIME

About forty candidates will be initiated by the local Eagle lodge next Tuesday night.

Elaborate plans, including a street parade and a big banquet, have been made.

Many visitors are expected from Rockford, St. Marys, Wakoneta and Mansfield.

The illuminated street parade at 7:30 will be headed by the Celina Boys Band.

"Bruno" Berzel is playing the best game on the Cardinal infield. He did some wonderful fielding Friday and cut in with a single to center field which scored two runs in the seventh.—Cincinnati Commercial, April 14.

The two runs which Bruno sent across the game for the Cardinals.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McComb entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of his brothers and sister and relatives of Lima. A sumptuous dinner and a jolly good time was had by all present, after which they all assembled to the front and had all their pictures taken. Those from Lima were: Mr. and Mrs. Colburn and daughter, Lois; Mr. and Mrs. Frank McComb; Misses Helen, Doris and Margaret McComb; Mr. and Mrs. Sherman McComb; Zelma and Francis McComb; Mrs. Hazel and son, Walter David; Dr. Dwight Steinman and son, Joe; Leslie McComb Lucille. Among the invited guests were W. M. Nolan and wife and the Misses Helen and Lila Nolan of Dayton, Elizabeth Miller, Celina.

There will be a dance at the Hierholzer hall, Coldwater on next Thursday evening, April 26. Music by the Saxophone trio.

John Herdering, who for the past sixteen years has been barbering at the Kistler Bros. shop, resigned his position Wednesday and has gone to Coldwater, where he has accepted a position as manager of the Weaner barber shop in that village.

SUPREME TEST AT HAND

President Wilson, in Appeal to the People of the Nation, Says We Must All Speak, Act and Serve Together, Each in the Capacity for Which We Are Best Fitted.

Washington, April 16.—"The supreme test of the nation has come. We must all speak, act and serve together!"

In these solemn words President Wilson concludes an address to the nation, issued from the White House on Sunday night, in which he appeals to "my fellow countrymen" of both sexes to enroll themselves in a vast "service army" to marshal and increase the economic resources of the United States for the most effective use in the war with Germany. The text of the address follows:

My Fellow Countrymen: The entrance of our beloved country into the grim, terrible war for democracy and human rights which has shaken the world creates so many problems of national life and action which call for immediate consideration and settlement that I hope you will permit me to address to you a few words of earnest counsel.

We are rapidly putting our navy upon an effective war footing, and are about to create and equip a great army, not these are the simplest parts of the great task.

There is not a single selfish element, so far as I can see, in the cause we are fighting for. We are fighting for what we believe and wish to be the rights of mankind and for the future peace and security of the world.

To do this great thing worthily and successfully we must devote ourselves to the service without regard to profit or material advantage.

We must realize how great the task is and how many things, how many kinds and elements of capacity and service and self-sacrifice it involves.

These are things we must do well or we are fighting for nothing.

These, then are the things we must do well, besides fighting—the things without which mere fighting would be fruitless:

We must supply abundant food for ourselves and for our armies and our allies; also for a large part of the nations with whom we have now made common cause.

We must supply ships by the hundreds to carry to the other side of the sea, submarines and our submarines, what will every day be needed there, and abundant materials out of our fields and our mines and our factories with which not only to clothe and equip our own forces on land and sea, but also to clothe and support our people for whom the gallant fellows under arms can no longer work, to help clothe and equip the armies with which we are co-operating in Europe, and to keep the looms and manufacturing in raw materials; coal for the ships at sea and in the furnaces of hundreds of factories across the sea; steel out of which to make arms and ammunition; locomotives and rolling stock to take the place of those every day going to pieces; mules, horses, cattle for labor and for military service; everything with which the people of England and France and Italy and Russia have usually supplied themselves but cannot now afford to meet the materials or the machinery to make.

Efficiency is Greatest Need Now To Bring Industrial Forces to a Standard

It is evident to every thinking man that our industries, in farms, in shipyards, in the factories, must be made more prolific and more efficient than ever, and that they must be more

economically managed and better adapted to the particular requirements of our task than they have been; and what I want to say is that the men and the women who devote their thought and their energy to these things will be serving the country and conducting the fight for peace and freedom just as truly and just as effectively as the men on the battlefield.

The industrial forces of the country, men and women alike, will be a great national, a great international service army—a rottable and honored host engaged in the service of the nation and the world, the efficient hands and the free men everywhere.

Hundreds of thousands, of men (thousands) liable to military service of all right and necessity be excused and assigned to the sustaining work of the fields, and factories, and mines. They will be as much part of the great patriotic forces of the nation as the men under fire.

An Earnest Word To Farmers on the Increased Production of Food Supplies

I take the liberty, therefore, of addressing this word to the farmers of the country and to all who work on the farms. The supreme need of our own nation and of the nations with which we are co-operating is an abundance of supplies, and especially of foodstuffs.

Without abundant food the whole great enterprise upon which we have embarked will break down and fail. The world's food reserves are low. Not only during the present emergency but for some time after peace shall have come both our own people and a large proportion of the people of Europe must rely on the harvests in America.

Upon the farmers of this country, therefore, in large measures rests the fate of the war and the fate of the nations. May the nation not count upon them to omit no step that will increase the production of their land and that will bring about the most effective co-operation in the sale and distribution of their products?

The time is short. It is of the most imperative importance that everything possible be done and done immediately to make sure of large harvests. I call upon young men and old alike and upon the able-bodied boys of the land to accept and act upon this duty.

Particular Appeal Made To Farmers Of South To Plant Abundantly At Once

I particularly appeal to the farmers of the south to plant abundant foodstuffs as well as cotton. They can show their patriotism in no better or more convincing way than by resisting the great temptation of the present price of cotton and helping upon a great scale, to feed the people who are fighting for their liberties and for our own. The variety of their crops will be the visible measure of their comprehension of their national duty.

The government of the United States and the governments of the several states stand ready to co-operate.

The course of trade shall be as unhampered as it is possible to make it, and there shall be no unwarranted manipulation of the nation's food supply by those who handle it on its way to the consumer.

This is our opportunity to demonstrate the efficiency of a great democracy, and we shall not fall short of it.

This let me say to the middlemen

of every sort, whether they are handling our foodstuffs or our raw materials of manufacture or the products of our mills and factories: The eyes of the country will be especially upon you. This is your opportunity for signal service, efficient and disinterested. The country expects you, as it expects all others, to forego unneeded profits, to organize and expedite shipments of supplies of every kind, but especially of food, with an eye to the service you are rendering and in the spirit of those who enlist in the ranks, for their people, not for themselves.

I shall confidently expect you to deserve and win the confidence of people of every sort and station.

Great Task for the Railways Is Seen Merchants Given a Motto for Service

To the men who run the railways of the country whether they be managers or operative employees, let me say that the railways are the arteries of the nation's life, and that upon them rests the immense responsibility of seeing to it that those arteries suffer no obstruction of any kind, no inefficiency or slackened power.

To the merchant let me suggest the motto, "Small profits and quick service," and to the shipbuilders the thought that the life of the war depends upon him. The food and the war supplies must be carried across the seas, no matter how many ships are sent to the bottom.

To the miner let me say that he stands where the farmer does: The work of the world waits on him. If he slack, no air forces and statesmen are helpless.

The manufacturer does not need to be told I hope, that the nation looks to him to speed and perfect every process; and I want only to remind his employees that their service is absolutely indispensable and is counted on by every man who loves the country and its liberties.

Let no suggest also that every one who creates or cultivates a garden helps and helps greatly to solve the problem of the feeding of the nation; and that every housewife who practices strict economy puts herself in the ranks of those who serve the nation.

Wastefulness Is Wicked, Says Wilson; Let All Combine to Curb Tendency

This is the time for America to correct her unpardonable fault of wastefulness and extravagance. Let every man and every woman assume the duty of careful, provident use and expenditure as a public duty, as a dictate of patriotism which no one can now expect ever to be excused or forgiven for ignoring.

In the hope that this statement of the needs of the nation and of the world in this hour of supreme crisis may stimulate those to whom it comes and remind all who need reminder of the solemn duties of a time such as the world has never seen before, I beg that all editors and publishers everywhere will give as prominent publication and as wide circulation as possible to this appeal.

I venture to suggest also to all advertising agencies that they would perhaps render a very substantial and timely service to the country if they would give it widespread repetition.

I and hope that clergymen will not think the theme of it an unworthy or inappropriate subject of comment and homily from their pulpits.

The supreme test of the nation has come. We must all speak, act and serve together!

WOODROW WILSON.

BEDELL GETS APPOINTED

The Democratic County Executive Committee last Saturday afternoon appointed John J. Bedell, one of the most active democrats of this city, as a member of the Deputy State Supervisors of Election, to succeed Chas. Creeden, whose second term expires May 1.

The Republican committee recommended for re-appointment, W. W. Wiley, of Washington township.

The other members of the Board are J. H. Hartings, Democrat, St. Henry; and H. H. Drury, Republican, Union township. The Board will meet sometime after May 1st to organize and appoint a clerk.

PROGRAM FOR C.E. MEET

The following program will be rendered at the Presbyterian church at 7:30 next Friday evening, the 27th. The program will be preceded by a banquet to visiting C. E. delegates at the Ashley hotel at 5:30. The program:

Overture—Orchestra.
March—"Onward Christian Soldiers," and Selecting delegations.

Song.
Reading of Minutes by Secretary.

Invocation.
Orechestra.

Roll-call of Societies.
Awarding of Banner.

Address—Rev. L. E. Ames, County Citizenship and Temperance Supt.
Solo—Miss Grace Huntwork, Fort Recovery.

"The Challenging"—Field Secretary, Arch Cordier.

Offering.
Address—"C. E. Goals for 1917", Rev. Chas. R. Line, Hamilton, Ohio, Convention Committee chairman for State Convention.

COMMISSIONERS

The Auditor's report on the 1917 valuation of real estate has been filed with the County Commissioners. Some changes have been made in the valuation of lands in the Mile Creek Ditch Section, Marion township, and also in the valuation of lots along the improved streets in Coldwater.

The Commissioners have fixed April 25, 1917 at 9 o'clock a. m. for the hearing on said report.

At a meeting of the Board last week Auditor Steinbrunner submitted his findings on the 1917 real estate valuation, as follows: I have compared the valuation of the various tracts of lands and lots listed on the 1916 duplicate and find same are equalized fairly well, being somewhat less than full value as shown by recent transfers.

The land in the east tier of townships seems to be appraised lower than the others, probably due to the contour of surface and kind of soil.

We have re-assessed the real estate in Marion township, owing to ditch improvements, etc.; also the lots in Coldwater along the brick streets.

Meeting on the matter of the Hayne ditch last Friday the Board found in favor of same and that the route described is the best. They determined that the ditch be granted as set forth, except that tile be laid in east bank in order to sufficiently cover tile and tile to be cleaned up stream as far as necessary.

The engineer made the following report on the sale of the Rabe ditch: Labor, Main ditch to N. N. Boice for \$354; estimate, \$407.90; to be completed Sept. 1.

Labor, extension to same for \$43; estimate \$47.00; to be completed by Sept. 1.

In addition to contract price, labor contractor to receive four cents per foot for all go 4 1/2 inch tile taken up and used, and 20 cents per foot for all good 12 inch tile taken up and left on ditch bank.

The Main ditch to Ft. Recovery tile Co. for \$715; estimate \$726.33; to be completed Aug. 1.

Tile, extension to same, for \$139; estimate \$142.80; to be completed by Aug. 1.

The following bills were allowed (Continued on fourth page)

TOWN TOPICS

Mrs. Grant Karr, of Cary O., who is visiting relatives and old-time friends in the county, in company with Mrs. Ida Powell made The Democrat a pleasant call Saturday.

Bert Fry was arrested Wednesday morning by Marshal Duncan on an affidavit of William Kettner, charging Fry with insulting Kettner's wife. Fry was intoxicated. He pleaded guilty before Mayor Scranton and was fined \$5 and costs. He settled.

A. W. Fishbaugh, of this city, was low bidder on the water line extension work offered by the Board of Public Affairs last Tuesday. Owing to the great advance in the cost of material, the Board took the matter under consideration until their next meeting on April 24.

Art Woods was arrested last Monday by Marshal Duncan on an affidavit filed against him by Gary Hillman, charging assault and battery.

At the hearing before Mayor Scranton both Woods and Hillman pleaded guilty to disturbing the peace and were each fined \$1 and costs.

The following officers were selected at the regular meeting of the Shakespere club, held with Misses Mabel and Lory McDonald, South Mill St., last Friday evening: President, Myrtle Crickoff; vice president, Clyde Andrews; secretary, Maude Collins. The club also decided to use the Redpath Bureau's attractions for next season's lecture courses.

THE GRIM REAPER

Mrs. Albert Raudabaugh, aged 61 years, died at six o'clock last Sunday morning at her home on East Fulton street, following a lingering illness. She has been confined to her bed since last Thanksgiving.

Deceased was born and raised in Center township. She and her husband moved to this city in 1903.

Surviving are the husband and six children—Mayer G. M. Raudabaugh, of St. Marys; J. W. Raudabaugh, of Center township; Judge O. Raudabaugh, of this city; Mrs. William Pierce, of Bowling Green, Ky.; Mrs. D. A. Miller, of Center township, and Mrs. B. H. Olds, of Conneaut.

Three brothers—Miletus and A. B. Newcomb, of this city, and Orrin Newcomb, of Center township; two sisters—Mrs. Minnie Stemen, of this city, and Mrs. George Miesse, of Center township, and fourteen grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services were held at the M. E. church last Tuesday afternoon, with Rev. Lance in charge. Interment at North Grove.

Mrs. Levi Springer, aged 65 years, died yesterday morning at her home at Montezuma. Several years ago she sustained a paralytic stroke and never regained her normal health. She was a sister of Mrs. Isaac Hainline, of Center township, who died a couple of weeks since, and was a native of Center township. She is survived by her husband and five children—W. R. Springer, of Toledo, and Mesdames D. L. Cook and H. L. Carter, of Montezuma; Mrs. P. F. Weaver, of Coldwater, and Mrs. Chas. Snyder, living north of this city. Two brothers also survive.

Funeral services will be held at the Montezuma U. B. church at ten o'clock, Sunday morning, with Rev. Hight in charge.

Mary Katherine, the three-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Miesse, of West Jefferson, died suddenly Wednesday evening, in its mother's arms, while the family was enroute home from this city. The mother thought the child was sleeping, but unable to rouse it when they reached home, a physician was summoned, but to no avail. Death was due to heart trouble.

Funeral services will be held at Swamp College this morning.

Clemens Mothorst, aged 70 years, died Wednesday morning at his home at Zenz City, as the result of a stroke of apoplexy, sustained a few days previous. His wife and several children survive. Funeral services will be held at the Carthage Catholic church tomorrow morning.

The funeral services of Mr. William Pionstorf, who died Wednesday at his home in Hopewell township, will be held at the Hopewell Lutheran church at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning, with Rev. Reitz in charge.

Mrs. Charles Studer, aged 55 years, died at six o'clock yesterday morning at her home on East Livingston street, following an illness of a year's duration.

Nine months ago Mrs. Studer underwent an operation for appendicitis at the St. Elizabeth hospital, at Dayton. She never fully recovered. Wednesday noon, in hopes of prolonging her life, she was again operated upon by Drs. Beatty, of Dayton, assisted by Drs. Hattery and Gibbons, of this city. She rallied from the operation, but took a sudden turn for the worse Wednesday night.

Deceased was born at Covington, Ky. Her childhood days were spent at Carthage, where in 1887 she was married to Mr. Studer. They have been residents of this city for 28 years.

She is survived by her husband and six children—Rose, of Dayton; Raymond, of Albany, New York and Lenora, Elvira, Dorothy and Arthur, at home.

Funeral services will be held at the Catholic church tomorrow morning.

Joseph Meyer, aged 57 years, died suddenly last Tuesday evening at his home, south west of this city.

Mr. Meyer was a native of Germany but came to this country some thirty years ago, and has become one of Jefferson townships best known and most prosperous farmers.

His first wife died in September, 1895. Later he married Katherine Zumberge and to this union was born eight children. She and the children survive—Misses Frances and Mary, of Cincinnati; and Frederick, Anna, Elizabeth, Leo, Albert and Bernadine, all at home.

Funeral services will be held at the Catholic church in this city, this morning.

Mrs. George Howick, age 66 years, died early last Sunday morning at her home in Center township, six miles northeast of this city, following a two month illness of pneumonia.

Her husband preceded her in death five weeks ago.

The deceased is survived by ten children—Mrs. B. C. Hoyng, of Grafton, Wpt Virginia; Albert Howick, of Center township; Mrs. Wm. Craft, of Jefferson township; William Howick, of Center township; John Howick, of Jefferson township; John Holtman, of Coldwater; Mrs. Joe Knapke.

(Continued on Eighth Page)

LATE ARRIVALS

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Ott are the parents of a bouncing baby boy, born last Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fry, South Sugar street, are the parents of a baby girl, born last Sunday morning.

The ladies' aid society of the Presbyterian church will be entertained by Mesdames H. O. Mowery and J. L. Fennig at the latter's home, East Wayne street, this afternoon.